

The Gant County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on Monday, July 21, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, Present; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, Present; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding.

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Magistrate Bobby Young opened in prayer. Judge Link then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were: Bernard Mardis-Cable TV. Judge Link announced that Magistrate Austin is still out of town and not with us tonight. He should arrive back tomorrow and we hope he has a safe trip back home.

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Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the July 07, 2008, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Claims in the General Expense Fund, Road Fund, Jail Fund and L.G.E.A. Fund for the month of July, 2008, along with the transfers needed to pay said claims. He stated that this is the first meeting of our fiscal year and there are large amounts being paid out of almost every fund, General, Road and Jail, and largely those are our insurance premiums. They do allow us to pay those monthly or quarterly, but there is some savings if we pay them all in the first 30 days, and so the way we usually do that is to accommodate them and pay it all up front. That way we don't have to worry about paying them again and we do incur some savings. He said you will also recognize when you get to the Transfers that there is a large amount

being transferred from the General Fund to the Jail Fund. He said we are going to go thru this exercise on paper if you all approve it; however, it is our hope that this transfer will not take place, and let me give you a little background. The Commonwealth of Kentucky is in arrears in payments to the Jail for the housing of State Prisoners. They owe us about \$225,000.00. We are rather confident that that check will come in in a timely manner, but as you can see we are paying out a large sum to the insurance carrier out of the Jail Fund and then Payroll is in a couple of weeks. So since it is going to be a while until we meet we thought we better go ahead and get a transfer approved just in case something would fall short. He said he would follow up at the next meeting and let them know whether it did indeed transfer.

Motion of Bobby Young and seconded by Brian Linder it is hereby ordered to approve Claims No. 01-0058 thru 01-0110 in the amount of \$332,595.59 paid out of the General Expense Fund; Claims No. 02-0029 thru 02-0046 in the amount of \$66,008.77 paid out of the Road Fund; Claims No. 03-0495 thru 03-0505 and Claims No. 03-0001 thru 03-0021 in the amount of \$231,210.96 paid out of the Jail Fund, and Claim No. 04-0001 in the amount of \$500.00 paid out of the L.G.E.A. Fund for the month of July, 2008, along with the transfers presented to pay said claims.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and action the 2008-2009 Policy and Procedure Revisions and requested a Motion to approve the Operations Policy and Procedures for the Grant County Detention Center for the 2008-2009 fiscal year as presented which

includes the Taser Policy Non-Lethal Force. He said the Court has been deliberating over this for about a month and had it on a previous Agenda because we were still seeking clarification on a few issues and those issues have been resolved. He said that he appreciated the Court's input and their diligence in reading the Policy and Procedures Manual for the Grant County Detention Center and you offered some very good changes, and those changes are incorporated in what we are presenting this evening.

Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve the Operations Policy and Procedures for the Grant County Detention Center for the 2008-2009 fiscal year as presented which includes the Taser Policy Non-Lethal Force as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link requested a Motion to Void Check No. 010244 in the Jail Fund dated 06-17-08 in the amount of \$25.00 paid to Riggs Repair Center due to said bill being paid in error as it was a personal bill for a Jail employee mailed to the Jail since they did not have an address for the Jail employee and paid in error. Judge Link said this strongly suggests that they need a Purchase Order System in place and to stick with it and follow thru in order to prevent this type of thing from happening. Discussion was held on how to get them to implement one. Judge Link suggested that we not pay any more claims unless they matched up with a purchase order.

Motion of Bobby Young and seconded by Brian Linder it is hereby ordered to Void Check No. 010244 in the Jail Fund dated 06-17-08 in the amount of \$25.00 paid to Riggs Repair Center due to said bill being paid in error as it was a personal bill for a Jail

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Judge Link presented for review and action the Letter of Retirement of Evalene Davis as Deputy Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Clerk effective July 31, 2008. It is as follows:

He stated that she has served 33 faithful years and served for 4 County Judges wonderfully well. Judge B. D. Martin hired Evalene in 1975 and then she worked thru the time with Judge Woodyard and also Judge Shirley Howard and myself. He said that he has been honored and privileged to work with her in this capacity over the last ten or eleven years and we appreciate her service. She has worked with all you County Magistrates, all county employees and a lot of Vendors and just a lot of the public, and we appreciate her service to the county. She certainly has been an example for all other employees to model themselves after and to try to follow in her footsteps. She is honest and hard working and very faithful, and Evalene, we appreciate you. But sadly it has come time that she wants to spend some time with her children and grandchildren, and we don't want to get in her way of doing that, so you have the letter here before you, and when you guys are ready, and certainly you may make any comments you wish, a Motion would be in order to accept the letter of Retirement from Miss Evalene to be effective on July 31, 2008. Magistrate Young said first of all he wanted to say Thank You. It has only been almost two years now, but there are a lot of things that go unseen that you do for me and Brian and Dickie and the Judge as well and even Jack. You know, a lot of

times we like to surround ourselves with people that make us look good, and I know the Judge did a good job there. You do things that keep us going and keep us on track and I just want to say Thank You. A lot of things you do for us, I don't know how you come up with that information so quick but you do and you have. You know, I will call the Judge and say Judge, what about this, and he says Well let me check with Evalene and five minutes later, he will call me back and say she found it and here it is, and I want to Thank You for your support and your sincerity in everything you do. You are a model employee of the county and I just want to say Thank You. Magistrate Linder said he will echo both the words of Darrell and Bobby. You know, as I walk thru the business world it seems that every good organization has a very good organized person and more than likely it is a woman, but that is what makes every good organization run and Bobby is exactly right. Any time that I have called for anything or asked Darrell or you for anything it has always been right back to me in a timely manner and usually within an hour or two, so I wish you the best of luck in your Retirement. I am sure you will be around more though, and I look forward to that, but I do wish you the best of luck in your Retirement and spending time with your family. That is something that you will never, ever, ever regret. Reluctantly he said he would make the following Motion.

Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to accept the Letter of Retirement of Evalene Davis as Deputy Judge/Executive and Fiscal Court Clerk effective July 31, 2008, with regrets as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link then presented for review and action the Appointment of Patricia A. Conrad as Financial Administrator of Grant County, Kentucky, at a Salary of \$33,900.00. It is as follows: He stated that we don't know yet when she can start and won't know until later in the evening. She has to tell her employer and he would encourage her and knows she will give them a two week notice. We will have to see how they react as she works for a financial institution.

Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve the Appointment of Patricia A. Conrad as Financial Administrator of Grant County, Kentucky, as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and action the Appointment of Patricia A. Conrad as Fiscal Court Clerk of Grant County, Kentucky, at a Salary of \$7,200.00. It is as follows: Magistrate Linder said that if we had to replace Miss Evalene Pat was a good candidate for the job.

Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve the Appointment of Patricia A. Conrad as Fiscal Court Clerk of Grant County, Kentucky, as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link requested a Motion to Void Check No. 010260 in the Jail Fund dated 07-08-08 to Art's Rental Equipment & Supplies in the amount of \$67.50 due to said Invoice

already being paid on 06-19-08.

Motion of Bobby Young and seconded by Brian Linder it is hereby ordered to Void

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The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, Absent; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link opened up discussion for the 'Good of the County'. He said that anyone could address the Court at this time. Judge Link told the Magistrates that there were two Audits in their packets for them to review. One is an Audit of the County Attorney's Office, Mr. Jack Gatlin, performed by Von Lehman & Company on February 13, 2008, which is a very good Audit and we thank Jack for that. The other one is an Audit of the Grant County Tourism Commission by Van Gorder Walker & Company, which is over a seven year period. One of their recommendations was for them to prepare an Annual Budget every year and they have done that and it is attached also. They also made some other Recommendations and those are being followed upon and implemented by the Tourism Commission and we appreciate them doing that work in a very fast manner. Magistrate Young reported that he was not sure how many showed up at the Movie Friday night but there was a good turnout. Judge Link said that he spoke to Tabatha this morning and she was very pleased with the turnout again. She didn't anticipate that that many would come as it was quiet warm, but she said about 9:30 it cooled down and everybody settled down. It still looks like it is a very successful and appreciated program that you all are bringing at no cost to the people of the county, and so we always

appreciate the Magistrates, Brian, Bobby and Dickie's support in bringing those things about. Magistrate Linder said he thought it was just probably perfect timing to do that this year because he thinks most people are probably limiting their trips to Florence as "must need trips" and to be able to do something in the county that is entertainment goes a long way and he thinks this was the right year to do that. Judge Link said it sure was. I think you are right. He didn't know if they noticed it. but it appears to me that a lot of people are changing their habits regarding driving and transportation out of the county. It may be in some way there is a good news story there that will be helpful to local businesses as people will take that into account rather than go to Florence and save \$5.00. You can probably save \$20.00 by not going to Florence and buy local. We will put a plug in for our local businesses as well. Magistrate Linder said that even State Parks are all booked up by Summer Vacation people staying there which is what they did. They went to a State Park this year and stayed closer to home.

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Judge Link reminded the Fiscal Court that the next Caucus meeting will be on Monday, July 28, 2008, at 5:30 P.M., and that the next meeting of the Fiscal Court will be on Monday, August 04, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. He again stated that Mary Pat Beahler will be here from the Treatment Center at the next Caucus meeting and it will be very interesting to learn more about that Grant Program.

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Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to Adjourn until Monday, August 04, 2008, at 7:00 P.M.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes Yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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